
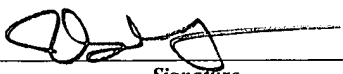



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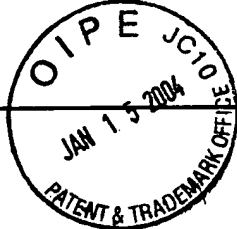
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REPLACEMENT AMENDMENT

Sir:

The present Replacement Amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 10, 2003, and to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2003. Applicants have changed "previously amended" to —previously presented— as required. Applicants have also re-numbered the new claims from "13 through 20" to —16 through 22—for consistency with the withdrawal in Applicants prior response of non-elected Claims 13 through 15.

Applicants respectfully submit that the present Replacement Amendment is now in compliance. Accordingly, please substitute Applicants' amendment mailed November 7, 2003, with the present Replacement Amendment and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the Abstract and the amended drawing figure is attached following page 23 of this paper.